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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Lino TAVARES, et al.  
Serial No.: 10/045,599  
Filed: October 23, 2001  
For: **TERAZOSIN TRANSDERMAL DEVICE AND METHODS**  
Examiner: Micah-Paul Young  
Art Unit: 1615

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

March 12, 2003

Sir:

This is in response the Office Action dated January 24, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please **cancel** claims 19-21, 26, 41, 45, 46 and 48 without prejudice.

**RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In the Office Action, the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement, and stated that restriction to one of the following inventions is required:

- Group I: Claims 1-18 and 22-47, drawn to a method of treating benign prostatic hypertrophy transdermally with terazosin, classified in class 424, subclass 449.
- Group II: Claims 19-21 and 48, drawn to a method of treating side effects transdermally, classified in class 424, subclass 449.